Minutes of the regular meeting of the Big Plains Water and Sewer Special Service District, Washington County, Utah that was held on the 18th day of April, 2012 at the Smithsonian Fire Department Building, 1777 N. Meadowlark Dr., Apple Valley, Utah.

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.
- 2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Dennis Bass.
- 3. Roll Call: Neil Duncan, Harold Merritt, Kevin Sair, Mayor Moser, and Dennis Bass were present. Recorder, Nathan Bronemann was excused.
- 4. Declarations of conflict of interests.

None Stated.

5. Report on purchase agreement status – Rod Mills

Rod Mills reported that he had been speaking with multiple individuals and that everything was looking good so far. He said that there was a lot of correspondence between the attorneys of the parties involved in the purchase. He said that there were some issues with regard to future liabilities and the lack of documentation that has been produced by the water companies.

Mayor Moser asked if a "gag order" would be put into place as part of the agreement.

Rod Mills said that he hoped for cooperation as the deal was finalized and that he hoped that the water companies would turn over user data to enable the transition of running the water companies.

Jack Davis asked it Rod was talking about both systems.

Rod Mills said that he was talking about both water systems, but that he had received user data from Cedar Point Water Company and not the other.

6. Report on funding status – Rod Mills

Rod Mills reported that the state funding was ready to be funded, but that there were still some requirements that needed to be met for the federal funding. He said that they would fund at the same time.

Mayor Moser asked if there would be a 30-day window to put the work out to bid.

Rod Mills said that it is usually put out to bid for 30 days.

Kevin Sair asked if not having information from the water companies was slowing down the process.

Rod Mills said that it was slowing things down some as they are not able properly estimate future usage and needed construction.

Harold Merritt asked if Apple Valley Water Company was clear that the SSD was not obligated to purchase their water company to move forward.

Rod Mills said that he knew that their attorney was aware and assumed that the individual owners were aware, but the he had not been given the opportunity to speak directly with those individuals about the SSD's options.

7. Discussion and possible action on the process of hiring a certified operator – Rod Mills

Denny Bass asked is this was the same as a water master.

Rod Mills said that a certified operator was a water master and more. He said that he recommended putting together a list of qualifications that could be advertised for the positions. He recommended a high level of expertise so that that individual could handle anything situation that might occur with the water system. He asked for authorization from the board to provide a list of qualifications that he would recommend for a certified operator. He also asked that the board members provide a list of qualifications that they would recommend as well.

Mayor Moser asked that Rod Mills provide a job description for the SSD board to review and discuss at their next meeting.

8. Acquisitions – Dennis Bass

Nothing to report.

9. Funding – Kevin Sair

See above item 6.

10. Operations – Neil Duncan

Nothing to report.

11. Resource Management – Mayor Moser

Mayor Moser said that the SSD board needed to draft a letter to Jepson Canyon Development to the attention of Hank Isaacson thanking them for the 5-acre donation and letting them know that the SSD would be starting construction soon. He said that they needed to draw up the documents to deed ownership of that land to the SSD.

12. Development – Harold Merritt

Nothing to report.

Dale Beddo asked what would happen to the SSD in the event that the Town was disincorporated, and in the event of the annexation of the Town area by Hildale.

Mayor Moser said that the SSD would be unaffected by the disincorporation of the Town and that in the event of Hildale annexing the Town area, the SSD would be supported by the county and would be unaffected by an annexation. He said that it would be highly unlikely that the county would allow the dissolution of the SSD by Hildale.

Rod Mills agreed that the SSD would continue to exist through these scenarios.

Dale Beddo said that he recalled from several months ago that the Mayor and Town Council stated that the Town would have the ability to dissolve the SSD and take over the water operations.

Mayor Moser said that if the Town were to be dissolved, the backing entity would no longer be the Town, but would then be the county, and would never end up being another municipality even if an annexation were to occur.

Dale Beddo said that he has seen officials quoted in the media stating otherwise.

Mayor Moser said that the county commissioners had made it clear that in the event of the dissolution of the Town they would make sure that the county would become the body politic over the SSD.

Dale Beddo cautioned the board to research and make sure that that was 100% correct.

Margaret Ososki wanted clarification on the process of annexation.

Dennis Bass said that the topic of annexation wasn't appropriate for this meeting and suggested that it be brought up in tomorrow's Town Council meeting.

- 13. Consider approval of minutes:
 - a. April 4, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes
 Motion made by Mayor Moser to approve the April 4, 2012 regular meeting minutes.
 Harold Merritt seconded the motion. Vote: Neil Duncan-yes, Harold Merritt-yes,
 Mayor Moser-yes, Kevin Sair-yes, and Dennis Bass-yes. The motion passed 5/0.
- 14. Request for a closed session

Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:51 PM.

None requested.

15. Adjournment

Motion made by Mayor Moser to adjourn the meeting. Neil Duncan seconded the motion. Vote: Neil Duncan-yes, Harold Merritt-yes, Mayor Moser-yes, Kevin Sair-yes, and Dennis Bass-yes. The motion passed 5/0.

Date approved:	
ATTEST BY:	
Nathan Bronemann	Chairman Dennis Bass